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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing today to encourage the Department of Justice to accept the Microsoft antitrust settlement. This issue has been dragging on for entirely too long now and I feel that the current settlement before the DOJ is fair and just. I would like to see the government accept it.

Many people think that Microsoft has gotten off easy, in fact they have not. In order to put the issue behind them Microsoft has agreed to many concessions. Microsoft has agreed to give computer makers the flexibility to install and promote any software that they see fit. Microsoft has also agreed not to enter into any agreement that would obligate any computer maker to use a fixed percentage of Microsoft software. Also, Microsoft has agreed to license its products at a uniform price to computer makers no matter how much that computer maker uses Microsoft products.

What we need to remember is that Microsoft products are very affordable and offer many advantages over other products. If one desired, they could purchase another operating system ie; Linux etc., but the fact is most people choose Microsoft Windows over others. With the economy stalling, we need to move forward not backward, many people have spent large amounts of time and money to be trained on Microsoft products, lets not forget them.

Sincerely,



Dameon Rustin

cc: Representative Richard Armey